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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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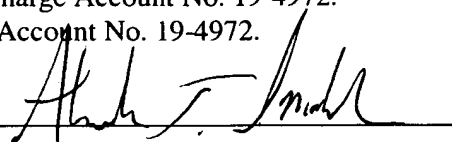
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No additional fee for claims is required.

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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 30, 2002, applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the pending claims in view of the following amendment and remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-54 are pending in the application. Favorable reconsideration of this application in light of the following amendment and remarks is respectfully considered. Claims 1-6 and 22-27 have been allowed. Claims 7-21 and 28-54 have been rejected.

In the Office Action mailed May 30, 2002, Applicants were informed that Applicants' amendment filed on March 14, 2002 was considered non-compliant because the amendment to the claims was not submitted in the format required under 37 CFR 1.173. Accordingly, applicant submits on the attached sheet a revised marked-up copy of the amended claims.

No new matter has been introduced. Claim 44 has been cancelled. Claims 7, 12, 14, 20, 28, 33, 35, 41, and 42 have been amended to require a plurality of system outputs. For support in the specification, see for example, Fig. 3 and associated text. Claims 10,